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APPLICANT: Pierre Michaels )  
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TITLE: DEVICE FOR EQUIPPING AN EXPANSION JOINT, IN  
PARTICULAR AN EXPANSION JOINT BETWEEN CONCRETE  
SLABS

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
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**AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 22, 2006 and having a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on September 22, 2006. Applicant submits the following responsive amendment to the above-identified application. Also submitted with this amendment is a Request for a one-month Extension with the required fee, to extend the period of reply to October 23, 2006 (October 22<sup>nd</sup> fell on a Sunday). Applicant believes this amendment places the application in better condition for allowance.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 5 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Drawings:** Please replace the previously filed drawings Figures 1-7D with the clean version of the amended drawing Figures 1-7D in an appendix following the last page of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.